

Name Margaret (Peggy) Stewart Graduation year 1942

Today's date: November 25th 1991

I. Why did you choose to study at MES?

It was the best place to go in Canada at that time
for Physical Education

II. What alternatives did you consider?

Bachelor's degree in P.H.E. at McGill University

III. What are some of your fondest memories of being a student at MES?

1) Being a small school. Staff and students got to know one
another well. Everyone was full of enthusiasm for learning

2) September Camp - outstanding

IV. What are some of your worst memories of being a student at MES?

Being a day student I felt left out of the residence fun
and didn't get to know the out of town students very well.
Racing back & forth to & from ^{the} Anatomy building in all
sorts of weather. Really, not so bad, but I (we) complained

V. With respect to your course work what are some of your fondest memories?

Practice teaching - Theory & practice

Both September camps - Each very different and I learned
a lot of new ^{practical} skills and leadership skills.

Loved all the academic subjects - especially Anatomy &
physiology 27.1

VI. With respect to your course work what are some of your worst memories?

VII. What do you remember about the school's principal and board?

~~The~~ Not much.

VIII. How do you think most student's paid for their education at MES [summer jobs, parents paid....]?

Probably a combination of summer jobs & parents paying especially those in residence.

IX. In what ways have you kept in touch with alumnae of MES?

Christmas cards ^{& from} to a few of my closest friends out of town
occasionally see those who live in or around Toronto.

X. What kind of work/volunteer activities did you do as a result of your education at MES?

Summer camp counsellor, Recreation at noon hour & after school for a Can. Red Cross project in Toronto's inner city. (volunteer) Age of children 5-6 yrs.

Volunteer - recreation at the Montreal Children's Hospital

Volunteer at rehab centres both in Montreal & Toronto - in the pool & " " gym.

XI. Did you pursue further education following MES? Where? Why?

Yes at the Institute of Child Study - U of T - Early childhood Ed. 1942-43. Realised I wanted to work with pre-school & early school aged children. MES education was invaluable in this field. Worked in War Time Day Nurseries in Toronto then ^{at} Private Nursery Schools until 1948. 27.2

XII. PERSONAL BACKGROUND:

A. Your year of birth: 1922

B. Your country of birth: Canada

C. Country of mother's birth: Canada

D. Country of father's birth: Canada

E. When you entered MES what occupations did your parents have?

Mother's occupation: wife & mother

Father's occupation: C.E.O of family business (Engineer)

F. Where were you living before coming to MES?

City: Toronto

Province: Ontario Country: Canada

G. Which school did you attend prior to entering MES?

The Bishop Strachan School Toronto

What grade (level) did you complete at this school? 13

Was this a private or public school? Private

H. If you married, which year did you first do so: 1946

Married to: (name) John C. Cawley

Occupation of husband when married: Student at UofT.
his education was interrupted by the war!

XIII. Would you be interested in receiving a copy of my abstract when I complete my study? Yes - very much.

Could you list other addresses than from the class of 39, and 41, or do you know of MES students who have passed on? From the class of 42 I have addresses for Jean King Morrison, Anne Thompson Roper, Mary Shirton Andres, Peggy Stewart Cawley, Pauline Sellers Hill, Eva Campbell Munro, Jean Finch Schick, Ruth Scott Prophet, and Lois Creighton Harnish, and I understand that Sirkka Sterner Omholt-Jensen, Mary Thompson Morgan and Libby Seccombe Turner are deceased. Do you know others?

Name Anne Thompson

Graduation year 1942

Today's date: Nov. 26 1991

I. Why did you choose to study at MES?

Outside McGill there was nothing else in Canada. Know of M.E.S. through school P.E. teachers & Y.W.C.A.'s. Loved most sports - summer & winter. Had no idea there was as much to it all!

II. What alternatives did you consider?

wanted Medicine, but felt it was just too long a haul - the war was on & didn't like to face my parents with that cost. In fact I didn't get engaged to a doctor because I truly felt I must work for a few years at least, to thank parents for putting me through

III. What are some of your fondest memories of being a student at MES?

Cam araderie -; most started as strangers & ended up as life-long friends; the long walks to school, back to residence for lunch, walk back to school & back to residence; life in residence at 99 St. George St; assoc. with fraternities in immed. area. We complained to one another but I can't think of any real worst memories

IV. What are some of your worst memories of being a student at MES?

It's not a "worst" memory - but being the final class to graduate as the Seniors - we had no juniors to "lord it over" as the '41 class had done with us. Our juniors were "H.O.T." now, & not part of a "Private School" atmosphere & attitude! We "groused" but knew it was usually all very good for us. These days I wouldn't "take" what we were expected to!

V. With respect to your course work what are some of your fondest memories?

At this stage of my life I think I have only fond memories! I loved "Camp Tahamookoo" Sept '41, & "Lake Couchiching Camp" Sept. '40; Anatomy lectures & labs at 4077 Medical Bldg; Morning dancing, with Miss (?) the principal (can't remember her name). & her favourite expression "Do It Good Girl" - we used to say it to each other when on our own!

IV - Taking short cars & getting to class & taking school to do practice - teaching in a tiny cement basement room.

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we all used to feel (in residence) that

the imposed curfew were far too rigid for post-secondary gals - we were really scared to be one second late & often spoiled a group party because M. E. S's were always those who had to be in (was it 11:30 Fri, 12 mid night Sat - + 10:30 Sun's ?).

Residence life was like being in boarding school all over again, but I liked the Sunday schedule - tea in the drawing room - we could invite a guest - (male, if we had the nerve to expose him to being scrutinized.)

VI. With respect to your course work what are some of your worst memories?

I don't think I really had any "worst" memories.
It was tough, living work & we were not spoiled!

VII. What do you remember about the school's principal and board?

A dear old gal from U.S.G. - but we all loved & respected
"Dottie J" (Miss Jackson) She was strict but expected us
to do our v. best - & boy did we work for perfection!

VIII. How do you think most student's paid for their education at MES [summer jobs, parents paid....]?

paid by parents - but maybe I was naive at that age!
(I didn't know that M.E.S.'ers helped to pay their own fees)

IX. In what ways have you kept in touch with alumnae of MES?

Down to Xmas cards & long notes - Victoria is a long way
from Toronto unfortunately. Until her death, I corresponded with
Miss Charlotte Layton - secretary in the office - an absolutely dear lady - she was always, truly,
interested in us all -; with me, of my marriage, children & all other girls, as her family

X. What kind of work/volunteer activities did you do as a result of your education at MES?

Taught 1 yr. at my own school - Loretta Niagara, 4 yrs at
Shurval College, Toronto; 2 yrs. at St. Margaret's School,
Victoria. For 18 yrs after 3 children getting on into
Gr. 7/8 I did substitute teaching in all of Victoria's Element.
Schools ^{all over} almost full time (without the pension benefits) but
I loved it, but didn't want a 10 month commitment

XI. Did you pursue further education following MES? Where?
Why?

No.

XII. PERSONAL BACKGROUND:

- A. Your year of birth: 19 22
- B. Your country of birth: Canada
- C. Country of mother's birth: Canada
- D. Country of father's birth: Scotland
- E. When you entered MES what occupations did your parents have?
- Mother's occupation: Housewife
- Father's occupation: Bank Manager
- F. Where were you living before coming to MES?
- City: Niagara Falls
- Province: Ont. Country: Canada
- G. Which school did you attend prior to entering MES?
- Loretta Academy - N. F. Ont.
- What grade (level) did you complete at this school? 13
- Was this a private or public school? Private
- H. If you married, which year did you first do so: 19 48
- Married to: (name) L. Alan Roper
- Occupation of husband when married: Second. School Teacher

- XIII. Would you be interested in receiving a copy of my abstract when I complete my study? yes please ^{+ mail!} ^{Costs.}

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enrolled Sept '40 - graduated class of '42.
"Sek Thysoff Health Ed." UofT at beginning of Sept 1941 -

affiliated with School of
we actually paid our
fees to U. of T. 28.4

+ mail!
Costs.
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their first yr. students (Sept '41) used M.E.S. facilities
Yonge & Mc Gill Sts., Tor.

Am interested in your choice of M.E.S.? is there a family
connection at all? - my very best wishes all.



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